

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

**Claim 1** (Currently Amended) Apparatus for treating age-related macular degeneration, the apparatus ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of a therapeutic light source which, in operation, enables a non-thermal therapeutic light beam to be emitted in a manner similar to ~~the light source~~ sources used in the context of dynamic phototherapy, wherein said light source is designed to emit a therapeutic light beam presenting an emission wavelength lying in the range 1.26  $\mu\text{m}$ , to 1.27  $\mu\text{m}$ , thereby generating intracellular singlet oxygen directly and in sufficient quantity.

**Claim 2** (Original) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the power of the therapeutic light beam lies in the range 1mW to 1 W, and preferably in the range 10 mW to 1 W.

**Claim 3** (Original) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the therapeutic light source is a laser source.

**Claim 4** (Original) Apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the laser source comprises an optical fiber Raman laser.

**Claim 5** (Original) Apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the optical fiber Raman laser comprises a pump laser diode, an ytterbium-doped optical fiber laser, and a Raman converter serving to transpose the wavelength of the beam coming from the ytterbium-doped optical fiber laser.

**Claim 6** (Currently Amended) A method of treating age-related macular degeneration, the method consisting ~~in~~ essentially of using a therapeutic light source that enables a non-thermal therapeutic light beam to be emitted in a manner similar to ~~the light source~~ sources used in the context of dynamic phototherapy, wherein said light source is designed to emit a therapeutic light

beam presenting an emission wavelength lying in the range 1.26  $\mu\text{m}$  to 1.27  $\mu\text{m}$  so as to generate intracellular singlet oxygen directly and in sufficient quantity.

**Claim 7 (Original)** A method according to claim 6, wherein the power of the therapeutic light beam lies in the range 1 mW to 1 W, and preferably in the range 10mW to 1 W.

**Claim 8 (Original)** A method according to claim 6, wherein the therapeutic light source is a laser source.

**Claim 9 (Original)** A method according to claim 8, wherein the laser source comprises an optical fiber Raman laser.

**Claim 10 (Original)** A method according to claim 9, wherein the optical fiber Raman laser comprises a pump laser diode, an ytterbium-doped optical fiber laser, and a Raman converter serving to transpose the wavelength of the beam coming from the ytterbium-doped optical fiber laser.